

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT :	Eric BERREKLOUW	EXAMINER : Bui, Vy Q.
SERIAL NO. :	10/594,363	ART UNIT : 3773
FILED :	September 26, 2006	CONFIRM NO.: 4683
FOR	ASSEMBLY COMPRISING A RING FOR ATTACHMENT IN A PASSAGE SURROUNDED BY BODY TISSUE AS WELL AS ...	

October 18, 2011

**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION UNDER 35 USC 121**  
**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 19, 2011, please amend the application as follows: